



Brownfields 2005 Grant Fact Sheet

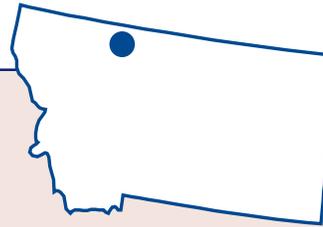
Shelby, MT

EPA Brownfields Program

EPA's Brownfields Program empowers states, communities, and other stakeholders in economic development to work together to prevent, assess, safely clean up, and sustainably reuse brownfields. A brownfield site is real property, the expansion, redevelopment, or reuse of which may be complicated by the presence or potential presence of a hazardous substance, pollutant, or contaminant. On January 11, 2002, President George W. Bush signed into law the Small Business Liability Relief and Brownfields Revitalization Act. Under the Brownfields Law, EPA provides financial assistance to eligible applicants through four competitive grant programs: assessment grants, revolving loan fund grants, cleanup grants, and job training grants. Additionally, funding support is provided to state and tribal response programs through a separate mechanism.

Community Description

The City of Shelby was selected to receive a brownfields cleanup grant. Shelby (population 3,304) is a rural community that relies heavily on agriculture, and oil and gas production. Recently, land values have decreased, crops have suffered from drought, and oil and gas production has deteriorated. Because of its size, rural nature, and deteriorated economy, Shelby has difficulty allocating resources for construction of public service buildings. To provide safe facilities for city services, Shelby is working to clean up asbestos and lead-based paint contamination at three abandoned schools. Once these sites are cleaned up, the city plans to use the properties for a variety of community services, including an educational center that will



Cleanup Grant

New
2005

\$200,000 for hazardous substances

EPA has selected the City of Shelby for a brownfields cleanup grant. Grant funds will be used to draft a remedial design and remove asbestos and lead contamination at the Shelby Middle School at 133 6th Avenue South.

Contacts

For further information, including specific grant contacts, additional grant information, brownfields news and events, and publications and links, visit the EPA Brownfields web site at: www.epa.gov/brownfields.

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http://www.epa.gov/region08/land_waste/bfhome/bfhome.html

Grant Recipient: City of Shelby, MT
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The cooperative agreement for this grant has not yet been negotiated; therefore, activities described in this fact sheet are subject to change.

accommodate a Head Start Program, alternative secondary education classrooms, adult education programs, and a satellite learning program.